PATENT D TRADEMARK OFFICE IN THE UNITED STATES PARKET

In re:

Harrington, et al.

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COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR NON-TARGETED

ACTIVATION OF ENDOGENOUS GENES

April 24, 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

PETITION TO EXTEND PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby request a three month(s) extension of the period for response to the Office Action mailed October 25, 2001. The response date set in the Office Action was January 25, 2002. A response is being filed herewith today, April 25, 2002, which is within the third month after the response date.

Accordingly, Applicants hereby request that the period for response be extended by three months so that the response filed herewith will be considered timely filed.

The appropriate fee of \$460.00 is enclosed for this Petition to Extend period for Response.

Respectfully submitted,

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